

However, the CFIUS did not conduct an investigation, as the plain language of the statute would demand.

I am pleased that, in a recent development, the administration has agreed to undertake a 45-day investigation as a result of discussions with DP World and congressional leadership. Perhaps its recommendation, once briefed to Congress, will allay concerns that have been raised. Perhaps the national security implications, apparent on the face of the deal, will be adequately addressed through a more rigorous process. Given the remaining uncertainties, however, I felt it was important to proceed with the introduction of this resolution, in conjunction with my colleague in the House, Congresswoman HARMAN.

The silver lining of recent events is that they have served to highlight the critical importance of port security to our Nation. Last November, Senator MURRAY and I introduced the GreenLane Maritime Cargo Security Act of 2005. This comprehensive legislation authorizes \$835 million annually for programs and initiatives to better secure our Nation's ports.

It would help build a coordinated approach to maritime and port security across all levels of government and with our overseas trading partners, improving our Nation's security as it expedites trade with those governments and businesses that join in this goal.

The bill addresses the problem of uncoordinated supply-chain security efforts, directing the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop a strategic plan to enhance security for all modes of transportation by which containers arrive in, depart from, or move through seaports of the United States. The strategic plan also must include protocols for the resumption of trade in the case of an incident.

This legislation recognizes that America's ports, large and small, are our partners in keeping our Nation safe and our economy strong.

I seek my colleagues support both for this resolution and for the GreenLane bill.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS/MEETINGS

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I would like to announce a correction for the information of the Senate and the public.

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources hearing to review the proposed Fiscal Year 2007 Forest Service budget will be held on Tuesday, February 28, 2006, at 10 a.m. in Room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

For further information, please contact Frank Gladics (202-224-2878), Elizabeth Abrams (202-224-0537) or Sara Zecher (202-224-8276) of the Committee staff.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the infor-

mation of the Senate and the public that an oversight hearing has been rescheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing originally scheduled for Wednesday, March 1, 2006 at 10 a.m. in Room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building will now be held at 9:30 a.m. on March 1, 2006, in the same room.

The purpose of the oversight hearing is to receive testimony regarding the state of the economies and fiscal affairs in the Territories of Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the United States Virgin Islands.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510-6150.

For further information, please contact Josh Johnson at 202-224-5861 or Steve Waskiewicz at 202-228-6195.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 7, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of the hearing is to discuss the goal of energy independence.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510-6150.

For further information, please contact Frank J. Macchiarola 202-224-1219 or Shannon Ewan at 202-224-7555.

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, the wishes to inform Members that the Committee on Small Business & Entrepreneurship will hold a public hearing to consider, "The Nomination of Eric Thorson to be the Inspector General of the Small Business Administration" on Wednesday, March 1, 2006 at 2 p.m., in room 428A Russell Senate Office Building.

The Chair urges every member to attend.

AUTHORITIES FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. SPECTER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet on Monday, February 27, 2006, at

2:30 p.m. for a briefing on the Dubai Ports World purchase of Peninsular & Oriental Steam Navigation Company.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDER FOR STAR PRINT

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that S. 2300 be star printed with the changes at the desk.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2006

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 9:45 a.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, February 28. I further ask that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and the Senate then proceed to a period of morning business for up to an hour, with the first half under the control of the majority leader or his designee and the second half under the control of the Democratic leader or his designee. I further ask that following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of S. 2271, the PATRIOT Act amendments bill, and that the time until 12:30 p.m. be equally divided, and that the time from 2:15 to 2:30 be equally divided as well.

I further ask consent that from 12:30 until 2:15 p.m. the Senate stand in recess for the weekly policy luncheons, and that the live quorum under rule XXII be waived with respect to the 2:30 vote.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, today the Senate resumed consideration of the PATRIOT Act amendments bill. At 2:30 tomorrow afternoon we will have a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the bill. This will be the first vote of the week. Once cloture is invoked, we will proceed on Wednesday at 10 a.m. to the vote on the passage of that bill.

As a reminder to all of our colleagues, on Wednesday at 11 a.m., Prime Minister of Italy Berlusconi will address a joint meeting of Congress. Senators should plan their schedules accordingly.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:45 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 5:07 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, February 28, 2006, at 9:45 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate February 27, 2006:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

JOHN G. EMLING, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF COMMERCE, VICE BRETT T. PALMER, RESIGNED.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

WILLIAM LUDWIG WEHRUM, JR., OF TENNESSEE, TO BE AN ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, VICE JEFFREY R. HOLMSTED, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

TIMOTHY ANTHONY JUNKER, OF IOWA, TO BE UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE JOHN EDWARD QUINN.

PATRICK CARROLL SMITH, SR., OF MARYLAND, TO BE UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE GREGORY ALLYN FOREST, RESIGNED.

IN THE COAST GUARD

THE FOLLOWING NAMED CADETS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD UNDER TITLE 14, U.S.C. SECTION 211:

To be ensign

STEPHANIE M ADAMS, 0000
 MARK P AGUILAR, 0000
 BRIAN J AHEARN, JR, 0000
 PAUL R ALEXANDER, 0000
 JUSTIN ANDREWS, 0000
 MARY E ARLINGTON, 0000
 MARY K ARVIDSON, 0000
 HOWARD B BAKER, JR, 0000
 STEVEN J BALDOVSKY, 0000
 CHARLES J BARE, 0000
 DUSTIN G BARKER, 0000
 SIMON P BARR, 0000
 NORA E BASILE, 0000
 GREG M BATCHELDER, 0000
 TODD C BATTEN, 0000
 PHILIP S BAXA, 0000
 LAUREN E BECK, 0000
 RACHEL C BECKMANN, 0000
 VICTORIA D BEIMESCHKE, 0000
 IAN R BELANGER, 0000
 MARTIN J BERG, 0000
 JASON L BERGER, 0000
 CAROLINE E BLADEN, 0000
 SAMUEL A BLASE, 0000
 KRYSTLE M BOBBINS, 0000
 REBECCA J BOICE, 0000
 JEREMIAH W BOWLES, 0000
 JOSH D BRANDT, 0000
 STEPHEN W BRICKEY, 0000
 THOMAS A BRITTINGHAM, 0000
 MARK D BRUNO, JR, 0000
 KRISTEN N BUCHER, 0000
 ERIN S BUSTIN, 0000
 THOMAS J CAREY, 0000
 MATTHEW A CARLTON, 0000
 CHRISTOPHER D CART, 0000
 DANIEL B CATHELL, 0000
 JAMES E CEPA, 0000
 BENJAMIN D CHAMBERLAIN, 0000
 JARED N CHERNI, 0000
 BRADLEY R CLEMONS, 0000
 AARON M CMIEL, 0000
 JASON D COFFEY, 0000
 JOSEPH R COFFMAN, 0000
 RICHARD C COLBY, 0000
 SOMMERS J COLE, 0000
 DAVID J CONNOR, 0000
 ADAM W CONOVALOFF, 0000
 CHAD M CONRAD, 0000
 REBECCA M CORSON, 0000
 LEE D COYLE, 0000
 RYAN T CROSE, 0000
 ASHLEY A CROUCH, 0000
 THOMAS S CROWLEY, 0000
 RACHEL S CRUZCOSA, 0000
 NOLAN J CUEVAS, 0000
 KATHRYN R CYR, 0000
 ELEANOR L DAHL, 0000
 GREGORY T DAHL, 0000
 STEVEN T DAVIES, 0000
 MEGAN A DAVISON, 0000
 AMANDA L DEIS, 0000
 CHRISTINA D DELGADO, 0000
 ANDREW B DENNELLY, 0000
 CHARITY D DREW, 0000
 REGINA R DUNN, 0000
 JARED W ENGLAND, 0000
 KYLE L ENSLEY, 0000
 ELISA K FAWCETT, 0000
 BRENDAN W FLYNN, 0000
 SHANNON T FROBEL, 0000
 TRAVIS R GAGNON, 0000
 DIANNA D GARFIELD, 0000
 CHRISTIANA M GELETZKE, 0000
 BRIAN C GISMERVIK, 0000
 MOLLY Y GOTTER, 0000
 PHILIP J GRANATI, 0000
 ANDREW M GRANTHAM, 0000
 ALAN E GROSSE, 0000
 STEPHEN A HART, 0000
 BRIAN J HEDGES, 0000
 TYLER K HEFFNER, 0000
 CHERYL E HICKEY, 0000
 PRESTON J HIEB, 0000
 JEROD M HITZEL, 0000
 THOMAS E HOLLINBERGER, 0000
 JARED H HOOD, 0000
 JESSE L HOUCK, 0000
 DIANA J ISIDORE, 0000
 RYAN T JAMES, 0000
 ANDREW B JANTZEN, 0000
 MICHAEL E JARBEAU, 0000
 SARAH M JEFFERSON, 0000
 DAN N KAHN, 0000
 JOSHUA A KAPUSTA, 0000
 DANIEL J KEARNEY, JR, 0000
 AMANDA G KEITH, 0000
 DANIEL P KILCULLEN, 0000
 MOLLY E KILDUFF, 0000
 GARY G KIM, 0000
 STEPHANIE V KIMMEL, 0000
 JAY F KIRCHER, 0000
 KRISTEN M KRAEMER, 0000
 BENJAMIN J KREBS, 0000
 WALTER C KROLMAN, 0000
 KATHERINE M LAPPE, 0000
 JONATHAN M LARAIA, 0000
 KEVIN B LAUBENHEIMER, 0000
 DANIEL W LAVINDER, 0000
 BENJAMIN J LEE, 0000
 BENJAMIN S LEUTHOLD, 0000
 AARON B LEYKO, 0000
 JACOB S LONDON, 0000
 KAREN C LOVE, 0000
 GEORGE G MACDONNELL, 0000
 RYAN W MACA, 0000
 GLYNN S MACKENZIE, 0000
 ERIC R MAJESKA, 0000
 JENNIFER S MAKOWSKI, 0000
 PETER E MALONEY, 0000
 MICHAEL H MANUEL, 0000
 CORY J MCCOLLOU, 0000
 CHRISTIAN B MCGHEE, 0000
 BRENDAN J MCKINNON, 0000
 NIKEA L MCNEILL, 0000
 TIMOTHY L MCDONALD, 0000
 JOSE M MELENDEZ II, 0000
 JULIE A MILLER, 0000
 COLE R MORGAN, 0000
 SARAH E MORIN, 0000
 CHRISTOPHER G MORRIS, 0000
 LAUREN E MOSEMAN, 0000
 MATTHEW K NAKAGAWA, 0000
 BRIAN J NAUGHTON, 0000
 JASON M NELSON, 0000
 CHRISTOPHER M NICHOLS, 0000
 KRISTEN NICHOLSON, 0000
 RICHARD D NINES, 0000
 SEAN M NORRIS, 0000
 JEFFREY T NOYES, 0000
 JACOB T PAARLBERG, 0000
 MICHAEL P PANTER, 0000
 CHARLES W PARIS III, 0000
 JARRETT S PARKER, 0000
 ROBIN E PASSERO, 0000
 CHRISTOPHER J PELAR, 0000
 KRISTEN R POTTER, 0000
 ANDREW D PRITCHETT, 0000
 TRISHA A PRONOVOST, 0000
 ERIC A QUIGLEY, 0000
 EDWARD J QUINN, 0000
 RYAN R RAMOS, 0000
 SHELLEY D RAUDENBUSH, 0000
 WESTON D RED ELK, 0000
 FRANK M REED III, 0000
 AARON J RENSCHLER, 0000
 FAITH A REYNOLDS, 0000
 MATTHEW D RICHARDS, 0000
 CALLAN D ROBBINS, 0000
 MORGAN J ROY, 0000
 BRIAN C RUNION, 0000
 WILLIAM J SANDERS III, 0000
 BRIAN G SATTTLER, 0000
 KENNETH R SAUERBRUNN, 0000
 JAMES G SAVIANO, 0000
 JAMES J SCHOCK, 0000
 ANDREW C SERB, 0000
 MATTHEW J SEXTON, 0000
 DANIEL J SHEPPARD, 0000
 JOSHUA S SHIMABUKURO, 0000
 RHIANON S SIMSER, 0000
 NICOLAS S SITES, 0000
 DAVID A SMITH, 0000
 JOSH L SMITH, 0000
 MELISSA A SMITH, 0000
 SARAH L SMITH, 0000
 WEBSTER M SMITH, 0000

JEFF J SMOLIK, 0000
 IAN M STARR, 0000
 PAUL W STEPLER, 0000
 BRIAN M STEUERWALD, 0000
 MATTHEW T STEVICK, 0000
 JESSE A STEWART, 0000
 DANIEL A TESLER, 0000
 JOHN B THOMAS, 0000
 KIET A TRAN, 0000
 CYNTHIA S TRAVERS, 0000
 JONATHAN P TSCHUDY, 0000
 PETER E VERMEER II, 0000
 ANDREW O VICKS, 0000
 DAVID R VIHONSKI, 0000
 MICHAEL A VILES, 0000
 RODERICK E WALKER II, 0000
 EDWARD J WARGO III, 0000
 STEVEN D WELCH, 0000
 JEFFREY D WEST, 0000
 BRENNAN M WHITE, 0000
 JONATHAN D WHITE, 0000
 RYAN T WHITE, 0000
 PAUL A WINDT, 0000
 NICHOLAS A WOESSNER, 0000
 JONATHAN M WOLSTENHOLME, 0000
 MICHAEL A WURSTER, 0000
 GRANT C WYMAN, 0000
 JEREMY L YANDELL, 0000
 YVONNE C YANG, 0000
 ALEXANDER T YUILLE, 0000

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be lieutenant general

LT. GEN. FRANKLIN L. HAGENBECK, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be major general

BRIG. GEN. JAMES L. SNYDER, 0000

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be rear admiral

REAR ADM. (LH) MICHAEL C. BACHMANN, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR PROMOTION IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY RESERVE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C. SECTION 12203:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

CAPT. MICHAEL W. BROADWAY, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR PROMOTION IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY RESERVE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C. SECTION 12203:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

CAPT. PATRICK E. MCGRATH, 0000
 CAPT. JOHN G. MESSERSCHMIDT, 0000
 CAPT. TIMOTHY D. MOON, 0000
 CAPT. MICHAEL M. SHATYNSKI, 0000

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUAL FOR REGULAR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY MEDICAL CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 531 AND 3064:

To be colonel

EICHEL C. JOSEPH, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUAL FOR REGULAR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY MEDICAL CORPS SERVICE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 531 AND 3064:

To be major

JAMES E. BARKER, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUAL FOR REGULAR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY DENTAL CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 531 AND 3064:

To be major

CHANTEL NEWSOME, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUAL FOR REGULAR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY VETERINARY CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 531 AND 3064:

To be major

CLAYTON D. CHILCOAT, 0000